



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

Docket No: Q60989

Madeline PRIGENT, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/673,143

Confirmation No.: 9530

Group Art Unit: 2831

Filed: October 11, 2000

Examiner: William H. MAYO

For: POWER CABLE COMPRISING AT LEAST A NANOCOMPOSITE COMPONENT  
COATING LAYER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2002, and in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

1. (Twice amended) A power cable comprising:  
a conductive material core; and  
at least one covering layer, characterized in that said at least one covering layer is constituted essentially of a material comprising an inorganic compound having an exfoliated layered structure made from a nanocomposite material and an organic compound inserted between layers of said inorganic compound.

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